

Wild Bergamot

Monarda fistulosa L.



Family:	Lamiaceae
Habitat:	Woods, thickets, prairies
Color:	Pink, Lavender
Height:	2-4 ft
Exposure:	Sun to light shade
Bloom Dates:	July-August
Soil Moisture:	Moist
Soil Quality:	Rich
Garden Uses:	Borders, meadows. Nectar for bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. Deer will graze.
Notes:	Lavender flowers that bloom at same time as many yellow-flowering composites, providing nice contrast. Leaves are fragrant. As a tea it has a flavor similar to Earl Grey and is sometimes used as a substitute.
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